

Minutes of the Board of Licking Township Trustees, regular meeting, held at the Twp Hall Jacksontown, OH at 8:00pm on April 7, 2003.

Mr. Cooper called the meeting to order with the following members present: Joe Cooper, Ron Acord, Dave Miller and Jill Linn.

Others present: Joe Walker, Erna Holland, Richard Cash, Scott Rawdon, Mike Wilson, Joe Walker, Mike Briggs, Rob Miller, Tim Weisert, Alice Bauman, Rick Rife, Les George, Steve Patterson and Charlie Davis.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Attached is a copy of all expenditures totaling \$36,370.34.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read, approved, and signed by the Trustees.

There are funds on hand or in the process of collection to pay the attached listed bills. \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk.

Motion was made by Mr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Acord that he attached list of bills be approved as the lawful obligation of Licking Township and the Clerk be directed to issue warrants of the Township in payment of the same.  
Roll call: Cooper, yes; Acord, yes; Miller, yes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Received a thank you from Florence Renner.
2. Received information from the Licking County Engineer regarding the railroad crossing upgrade and asked that the agreement with PUCO be signed.
3. Received a reminder from the LCPC requesting the FIRM information from our township.
4. The trustees received a copy of the Grassroots Clippings for April.

5. There will be a meeting on April 24<sup>th</sup> to nominate township and village representatives to serve

on the 20 member Full Committee for a three year term.

6. Received a letter from the LCPC regarding C. Haldane Jackson.
7. Received a letter from the LCPC regarding Michael Payne.
8. The next LCPC meeting will be on April 28.
9. Received information from the LCHD regarding mosquito control.
10. Received information from the Licking County Emergency Management Agency regarding a meeting with the Ohio Emergency Management Agency on April 11 at 9:00am.
11. Received a permit application from Licking Rural Electrification Inc to utilize the township right a way for the installation of three phase lines.

Alice Bauman asked about the noise ordinance. Mr. Cooper told her that it is being worked on through the Zoning Commission Board. He also encouraged her to attend their meetings on the second and fourth Wednesday at 6:30pm.

Erna Holland asked how close they are to having the new zoning resolution done since January was the goal to have the zoning resolution completed. After a discussion, Erna asked if they can submit what has been completed and then add to it as we go since it will always be a work in progress. Mr. Cooper thought that that would be a good idea. Further discussion took place regarding the zoning and permits.

Mike Wilson gave the Fire Co. report. He informed the trustees that he had received the opinion from the prosecutors office on the new law for electronic data regarding patient confidentiality information. There were

53 runs in the month of March of which 26 were made through the paid program. He thanked the Trustees for the pay increase for those who participate in the paid program. Mr. Wilson also stated that the Fire Co. received \$4650 of the \$5000 they applied for in grant money. He received a confirmation that the Fire Co. will be receiving \$4900 in

grant money from the EMS Board. Mr. Wade also donated \$50 to the Fire Co. Mr. Wilson asked the trustees if the Fire Co. could help with the Easter egg hunt, which they do with the church, and offer truck rides to those that sign a release form. The trustees told him that it would be fine. Mr. Wilson mentioned that the EMT class is doing well and that we should have four new EMTs after they take their test on April 28<sup>th</sup>. The Fire co. will present to the trustees two new volunteer applications at the next meeting. Mr. Wilson mentioned that there is a renewed interest in the Junior Program. The cost is \$50 to join the Explorers which is through the scout program because they provide insurance.

The trustees gave Mr. Wilson permission to start the Junior Program. The Fire Co. received two automatic electronic defibrillators. One will be put in at the high school, which we will still be the owners of and will receive back when school is not in session to be used in the township trucks. Mr. Wilson is still working on getting prices for the hydraulic ram.

Mr. Walker turned in 10 permits totaling \$830. He stated that Chris Hill from the LCHD found no violations at 6299 Jacksontown Road. Mr. Walker went to see the property and the owner allowed him to check the property. The upper level is rented through Metro Housing. There are two apartments in the lower level in which one is occupied the other is being used for storage. The garage has one third of its space as livable (which is used for the owner) and the other two thirds of its space for storage. Mr. Walker informed Mrs. Boley that he would be checking the property again at a later date.

The cemetery mowing bids were opened as follows:

\*Randy Daughters dba/Jack's Maintenance; \$225 for mowing

plus \$20/hr for trimming, blowing, etc.

\*Les George dba/Buckeye Lawncare; \$200 for mowing plus \$25/hour for trimming, blowing, etc.

\*John Cormican dba/J & E Lawn Service; \$185 for mowing with no additional costs stated.

\*Robert Miller dba/Country Lawn Service; \$380 for mowing with no additional costs stated.

\*Donald Smith dba/Don's Lawn Service; \$1000 for mowing with no additional costs stated.

After a discussion, the trustees will make a decision at the next township meeting.

Mr. Cooper asked the other two trustees to sign thank you letters for the people who volunteered their time for coming in and getting together the mosquito control plan which was held at Dawes Arboritum. A discussion took place regarding the mosquito control meeting. Mr. Cooper ask that the trustees make a proposal that the township develop a mosquito control plan to encourage the residents in the township to participate in a program in which they would make a commitment to clean up their property so that it is not a breeding ground for mosquito's, so that they can be recognized for taking the responsibility in helping the township. Mr. Cooper will try to get a plan together for the next meeting. Mr. Tim Weisert mentioned that the program at Dawes was excellent and thanked the township for having it.

Mr. Miller said that the road crew did a fine job in closing Ridgely Tract Road. Mr. Hupp, who lives on Ridgely Tract Road, is very pleased.

Mr. Acord mentioned that the salt and cinders should be ordered early for the next winter season. He asked that the clerk order at least four loads of salt.

Mr. Miller mentioned that he had met with Dale Parker from The Shelley Co. Mr. Miller said that they looked over the job that had been done and The Shelley Co. will give us a break on the patching material that they use to repair the problem areas and will double shoot the areas when they finish the chip and seal.

Mr. Cooper mentioned that the time capsule, which is in the cornerstone at Excel Academy, will be removed on April 27<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm. The time capsule was placed there in 1936. The township will then, on July 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm, place a 50 year time capsule hopefully somewhere in the Township Hall.

Mr. Miller mentioned that he still needs to review the flood plan map and will let Mr. Cooper know when he is finished.

Mr. Cooper mentioned that through HB 95 the state will reduce Local Government Funds. The legislature is also

looking to eliminate the estate tax by 2006. Mr. Cooper asked that you contact your State Representative and ask that they not cut the funding. Scott Rawdon asked how much the township would lose in local funds. The clerk mentioned that she would need to look up that information.

Mr. Cooper mentioned that it is a good time to put up the cemetery signs. Mr. Acord and Mr. Miller will decide where to put them and they will put them in. The project at Fleaton Cemetery was completed. Mr. Mike Ecker, a horticulturist at Dawes, gave information to Mr. Cooper regarding the best way to kill the trees. Mr. Cooper gave the information to Mr. Miller. Mr. Cooper asked that the township does not install brochure boxes on the cemetery signs and use a separate post for the brochures. Mr. Cooper talked with the park district and they will forward the plans to build the stands instead of buying them so that they would look better.

Mr. Cooper said that he has contacted the Risk Assessment Group regarding an agreement between the township and the county engineer but has not received a reply.

Discussion took place regarding drainage tile and culverts and who is responsible for seeing that they are done and done properly. Mr. Cooper stated that any change should be done in a motion and until all decisions are made the township needs to continue the policy that is in place.

Les George mentioned that he is organizing a trash clean up

day in Avondale on May 3<sup>rd</sup> starting at 9:30am.

Erna Holland mentioned that there will be a Buckeye Lake Civic Association Reverse Raffle Fund Raiser at the Harbor Hills Club House on May 29<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Cooper made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Mr. Acord. Roll call: Cooper, yes; Acord, yes; Miller, yes.